



Michigan Reads Celebration

Featuring "The Pout-Pout Fish" by Deborah Diesen

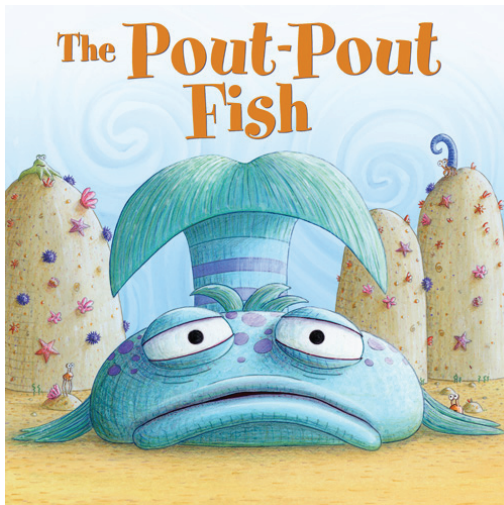
We invite you to take part in Michigan Reads! This statewide program highlights the importance of early childhood literacy by focusing on a picture book written by a Michigan author.

December 10, 2009

6:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.

**Zauel Memorial Library
3100 N. Center Rd.**

- Fun Activities
- Goodie bags
- Targets children from birth to 8 years-old



"The Pout-Pout Fish" written by former Midland resident, Deborah Diesen and illustrated by Dan Hanna, is a fun, colorful story about a fish who believes he only knows how to frown, sulk and mope. Then one day, an unexpected friend comes along and helps transform him from a pout-pout fish to a kiss-kiss fish.

This unique state-wide program aims to promote the value and benefits of reading early and often to children. It also encourages family bonding through reading and increases awareness and usage of Michigan's libraries as excellent resources for learning.

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